

JUNGLE PRESCRIBED BURN 08/03/2006 UPDATE

Target Start Date: 08/08/2006 – 08/10/2006

Location: Ferron Creek drainage area located near Ferron Canyon Road between Willow Lake and Ferron Reservoir

Narrative: If weather allows and conditions are favorable, we are working towards implementation of the prescribed burn in the Ferron Creek drainage with a start date between Tuesday, August 8, 2006 and Thursday, August 10, 2006. The burn will continue until completed and is estimated to last about a week. The burn will be ignited by helitorch (aerial ignition) and helicopter activity will last approximately 2 days. By burning under controlled conditions, effects of the fire can be managed.

Closures: While the prescribed burn is taking place, the burn area will be closed to the public and there may be delays or temporary closures on Ferron Canyon Road, Forest Development Road (FDR) #022. Vehicles with high clearance may be routed around to the South Side Road, FDR #043. In addition, Willow Lake Campground, as well as, the trails in the Georges Fork, Cove Creek and Singleton Flat areas will be closed.

Roads and Trails affected by Fire Closure:

- *Ferron Canyon Road (Forest Service Road (FSR) No. 022) Dairy Point to Ferron Reservoir*
- *Duck Fork Road (FSR No. 049)*
- *Singleton Flat Road (FSR No. 109)*
- *Hunters Highway (FSR No. 314)*
- *Singleton Flat Trail (Forest Service Trail (FST) No. 71)*
- *Cove Lake Trail (Forest Service Trail No. 73)*
- *Willow Bunch Trail (Forest Service Trail No. 74)*
- *Dairy Trail (Forest Service Trail No. 117)*

Prescribed Burns: Prescribed burns are used for a variety of resource benefits including improved wildlife habitat, reduced fuel buildup from insect killed trees, and to support ecosystem diversity. Aspen stands provide critical habitat for many wildlife species, forage for livestock and wildlife, and to protect stream flows in critical watershed. Aspen is being lost by encroachment of conifers. Aspen regenerates by sprouting following a controlled burn or other disturbance.

NOTE: Fire managers would like to remind everyone to be especially careful and fire conscious while recreating this summer.

Contact Information: If you need further information visit www.utahfireinfo.gov or please contact the Ferron Ranger District at 435/384-2372.

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